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**FIRST AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Pursuant to the Notice of Appeal mailed December 4, 2001, please enter the following amendment:

**In the Claims**

Rewrite claim 8 as follows:

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- 1 8. (twice amended) A method of adjusting the two-way communication range of an RFID system to
- 2 permit a person to individually handle and interrogate each one of a plurality of tagged objects, each
- 3 tagged object having an RFID tag transceiver, comprising the steps of:
- 4 mounting adjacent the person an RFID interrogator transceiver having an antenna;
- 5 mounting on each tagged object an RFID tag transceiver, wherein
- 6 each tag transceiver is characterized by a set of one or more performance parameters
- 7 which control a reliable two-way communications range between that tag transceiver and the
- 8 interrogator transceiver, and

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